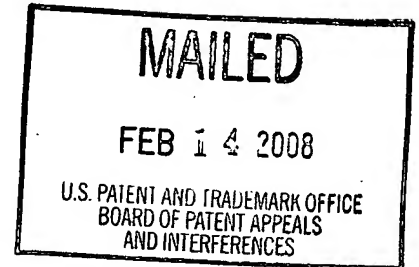


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BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES

Ex parte LAWRENCE P. LAFALCE

Application No. 10/764,332



ORDER RETURNING UNDOCKETED APPEAL TO EXAMINER

This application was received electronically at the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences on February 7, 2008. A review of the application has revealed that the application is not ready for docketing as an appeal. Accordingly, the application is herewith being returned to the examiner. The matter requiring attention prior to docketing is identified below:

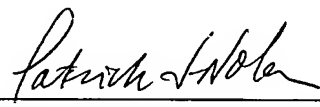
On April 24, 2007, an Examiner's Answer was entered into the record. On page 2 of the Examiner's Answer cites "Japanese patent No. 20141 by Kokai" as prior art. The record does not contain an English language translation of the Kokai reference.

Accordingly, it is

ORDERED that the application is returned to the Examiner for:

- 1) a full English translation of Kokai reference;
- 2) providing such translation to the applicant and for scanning into the file; and
- 3) for such further action as may be appropriate.

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